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Thurston County massage therapist suspended on allegations of sexual misconduct

OLYMPIA – State health officials suspended the license of Thurston County massage therapist Timothy J. Cosden (MA.60071009) pending further legal action.

Cosden has displayed a pattern of sexual misconduct against clients. Criminal charges have been filed against Cosden for fourth-degree assault with sexual motivation, a gross misdemeanor, in Thurston County District Court.

The suspension prohibits Cosden from practicing as a massage therapist in Washington in order to protect patient safety and public health. He has 20 days to request a hearing to contest the charges and the suspension.

The legal documents on this case can be seen online by clicking the link on [Provider Credential Search](#) on the [Department of Health website](#); copies can be requested by calling 360-236-4700. Anyone who believes a health care provider acted unprofessionally is encouraged to call this number and report their complaint.

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